क.मी. तक की लंबाई में मिट्टी का कार्य भी शुरू किया गया है। नर्मदा मुख्य नहर तथा शाखा नहरों की इन पहुंचों के कार्य की प्रगति 30-6-94 की स्थिति के अनुसार इस प्रकार है।

	नर्मदा मुख्य नहर	शाखा नहर
1. मिट्टी कार्य	91.60%	68.30%
2. पक्का करना	73.46%	38.83%
3. संरचनात्मक कंक्रीट	50%	36.87%

(ख) 30-9-1994 की स्थिति के अनसार वित्तीय प्रगति :

सितम्बर, 1994 तक 3486.24 करोड़ रुपए का व्यय किया गया।

सरदार सरोवर परियोजना का निर्माण कार्यक्रम :

	पूर्ण किए जाने का वर्ष
1. बांध	1998
2. नहर एवं कमांड क्षेत्र विकास कार्य	2000 (संशोधित)
3. जल विद्युत	1999 (संशोधित)

Fertile land turning saling in Karnataka

654. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether thousands of acres of highly fertile land in the Thungabhadra project area of Karnataka, are turning saline due to lack of drainage as mentioned in Economic Times dated 20th November, 1994;

(b) whether Government are in possession of a report of a study conducted by the Area Development Board under the auspices of Institute for Social and Economic Chance, Bangalore, of its survey of Gulbarga, Bidar, Bellary and Rajchur districts of Karnataka; and

(c) what are the measures recommended in the report to reclaim the land and increase crop yields and whether Government are seriously considering these measures for early implementation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) As per the survey conducted during 1991-92, an area of 43,415 Hectares has been affected by salinity/alkalinity and water-logging. Main causes of the problem include lack of proper drainage and improper management of water in the upper reaches.

(b and (c) No, Sir. However, the Government of Karnataka have taken up preventive measures or effective utilisation of irrigation water through Command Area Development activities. Land reclamation measures have also been undertaken by Command Area Development Authority since 1979-80 and an area of 2,300 hectares has been reclaimed so far.